

REMARKS

The present submittal, Information Disclosure Statement, and accompanying Request for Continued Examination (RCE) are in response to the Notice of Allowance dated October 6, 2008. Applicants thank the Examiner for this allowance.

Claims 1-7 and 18-25 are allowed in the present application. Claims 8-17 have been canceled. Applicants have filed, herewith, an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS). Applicants request that the Examiner acknowledge the references cited in the IDS, by returning to Applicants' undersigned representative, a signed, initialed, and dated copy of the corresponding PTO/SB/08 form(s).

Applicants respectfully submit that the present amendment is now in condition for allowance, and request early notice of such action.

If the Examiner has further questions, or believes further issues remain, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative.

Respectfully submitted,

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